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Wilson supports Arizona's new immigration law

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As Congressman Joe Wilson continued his "Joe Means Jobs" tour of the district, he offered support and encouragement to Arizona leaders

The Western State made news last week when the governor signed a law instructing law enforcement officers to look closely at anyone who may appear to be an illegal immigrant.

The Springdale Republican told the Chronicle he applauded the measure.

"Legal immigration, how most of us got here, has been a blessing to this country and fundamental to our economic success. Unfortunately, the federal government has clearly failed to address illegal immigration and secure America's borders; now states are stepping in to protect their citizens and address the problems Wash-

ington has ignored."

Wilson reflected on his own experience, "As a former state legislator, I respect states stepping in to fix problems the federal government is unwilling to address."

As he turned his attention to his own campaign, "he said creating jobs is more than just a campaign issue for me and my district."

"It's an ongoing effort to talk with small business owners and workers about the job market and to promote my plans to create more jobs for the Palmetto State," the Springdale congressman told a news conference in West Columbia.

Rolling up his sleeves and working like regular "Working Joes"; the Republican incumbent thanked folks like Richard Lee, who owns Richard's Automotive in West Columbia.

Lee told the Chronicle his nine-

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